

September 23rd, 1904.

A meeting of the Board of Public Works, was held, this day, at the Fidelity Building, Baltimore, at 11:50 A. M.

Present: Hon. Edwin Warfield, Governor; Hon. Murray Vandiver, Treasurer; and Hon. Gordon T. Atkinson, Comptroller.

The following communication from Mr. Sherlock Swann, Chairman of the Burnt District Commission, was read:

"Baltimore, Md., September 20th, 1904.

Col. Oswald Tilghman,

Secretary of State,

State House, Annapolis, Md.

My dear Sir:

Some time ago I received a communication from you, stating that the Board of Public Works would <sup>e</sup>met this Commission soon after the first of September to discuss the valuation of the State property to be taken by this City from the State of Maryland for new wharves and docks. As the matter is now in shape to begin work on the condemnation proceedings, I would request that the meeting be held as soon as possible in order that the matter may be adjusted.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Sherlock Swann, Chairman."

On motion of the Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, it was decided to have the Secretary notify the Burnt District Commission that the Board will name a date in the near future on which to meet the members of the Commission to discuss the matter referred to in their letter.

The Treasurer submitted the following form of advertisement for the sale of the State's interest in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

State of Maryland,

Executive Department,

Annapolis, September ----- 1904.

Sale of State's interest in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal.

Under and by virtue of the power and authority conferred upon the Board of Public Works by Section 3 of Article 13 of the Constitution and by the Act of 1892, Chapter 310, and in pursuance of

a resolution passed by the said Board of Public Works, notice is hereby given that sealed proposals are invited for the purchase of the entire interest of the State of Maryland in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company and all its properties and works of every description as either mortgage<sup>e</sup>/ creditor or stockholder, the said interest will be subject in the hands of the purchaser to the legal operation and effect of every and all judgments and claims duly proven and certified under the Act of 1896 Chapter 136 1/2, such proposals may be made at any time prior to twelve o'clock noon on December 1st, 1904, and must be transmitted to the office of the Board of Public Works at Annapolis. Payment of the purchase price to be made in the bonds or registered debt of the State as required by Section<sup>3</sup> of Act XII of the Constitution within sixty days from the acceptance of any bids. Such bids will be opened publicly at noon on December 1st, 1904, in the Executive Chamber at Annapolis.

No bid will be considered unless accompanied by certified check in the sum of \$25,000.00 as a guaranty of the prompt payment of the purchase price in accordance with the terms of sale.

The Board of Public hereby reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

By order Board of Public Works,

Oswald Tilghman, Secretary of Board.

which, being read, was, upon motion of the Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, duly approved as the form of advertisement for the sale of said interest and directed to be inserted once a week from this time until December 1st, and on December 1st, in the following papers of Baltimore City, viz: The Sun, American, Herald, News, German Correspondent, Daily Record, and in the New York Herald.

The Treasurer moved that the action of the Governor and Comptroller in paying the full amount of the bill presented by Mr. L. H. Diehlman for \$762.75 for the preparation of the souvenir books for "Maryland Day" at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition be approved, the amount appropriated for this purpose having been but \$600. Seconded by the Comptroller and carried.

The Comptroller moved that the bill of L. H. Diehlman for \$23.60 for incidental expenses incurred in connection with the

preparation of the souvenir books be paid. Seconded by the Treasurer and passed.

On motion of Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, the Board at 12:10 P. M. adjourned.

Robert S. Hart, Acting Secretary..

*Conrad Tilghman*  
Secretary

